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Tract 1 – Relativity Thinning

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.
Roseburg, Oregon 97470

Date: March 25, 2003

TIMBER SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described herein for oral auction, pursuant to Instructions to Bidders, as stated on Form No. 5440-9 and subject to Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities, Form No. 1140-4, attached. Written and oral bids will be received by the District Manager, or his representative, at 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470. The timber sale will commence at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, April 22, 2003.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT was prepared for this sale, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for this sale at the Roseburg District Office.

THIS TIMBER SALE NOTICE does not constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003-Administrative Remedies, the notice of a timber sale, when published as a legal ad in a newspaper of general circulation, shall constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal. Protests may be filed with the Contracting Officer within 15 days of the publication of the aforementioned decision document in the newspaper. It is anticipated that the decision document will be published in *The News Review* newspaper on or about March 25, 2003. BLM does not warrant publication on this exact date. All parties considering protest of the timber sale decision document are encouraged to review the aforementioned newspaper to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

A WRITTEN BID on Form No. 5440-9 at no less than the appraised price on a unit basis per species and the required minimum bid deposit shall be required to participate in oral bidding for each tract. Since bidding on minor species usually has little effect on the final outcome of a sale and can be disruptive to the bidding process, BLM will accept bids over appraised price for Douglas-fir only.

APPRAISED PRICES are determined by analytical appraisal methods unless otherwise noted on individual timber sale notices.

FOR SET-ASIDE TRACTS, the bidder must not have been determined by the Small Business Administration to be ineligible for preferential award of set-aside sales and must accompany his deposit with a self-certification statement that he is qualified as a small business concern as defined by the Small Business Administration in its regulations, Title 13, Chapter I, Part 121 as amended, of the Code of Federal Regulations. Form No. 5430-1, Self Certification Statement, and SBA Form 723, Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber, are attached hereto.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, as a condition of award, will be required to complete and/or sign the following forms:

1. Form No. 1140-6, a certification that the bid was arrived at by the bidder or offeror independently, and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or offeror.
2. Form No. 1140-7, Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Program Representation, for all contracts over \$10,000.
3. Form No. 1140-8, Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification.
4. Form No. 5450-17, Export Determination.
5. SBA Form 723, Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber

PRE-AWARD QUALIFICATIONS. The high bidder may be required to furnish information to determine the ability to perform the obligations of the contract. If the high bidder is determined not qualified, responsible or refuses to respond within fifteen (15) days of a request for information pertaining to qualifications, the contract may be offered and awarded for the amount of the high bid to the highest of the bidders who is qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.

A PERFORMANCE BOND in an amount not less than twenty (20) percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$2,500 or more, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, except when the Purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION. All timber sales shall be subject to the restrictions relating to the export and substitution of unprocessed timber from the United States in accordance with P.L. 94-165 and 43 CFR 5400 and 5420, as amended.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning each timber sale tract described herein is available at the above District Office. A copy of the timber sale contract is also available for inspection at the District Office.

THE VOLUMES LISTED herein are estimates only, based on 16-foot taper breaks, which must be taken into consideration if comparisons are made with volume predictions based on other standards. The volumes based on 32-foot taper breaks are shown for comparison purposes. No sale shall be made for less than the total purchase price, without regard to the amount bid per unit, even though quantity of timber actually cut or removed or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity so listed.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS may be authorized for sales of \$500 or more. Required installments will be determined by BLM. For sales under \$500,000, installments will not be less than ten (10) percent of the total purchase price. For sales of \$500,000 or more, installment payments shall be \$50,000.

Attachments:

Form No. 1140-4 Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities
Form No. 1140-6 Independent Price Determination Certificate
Form No. 5430-1 Self Certification Clause
Form No. 5440-9 Deposit and Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource
Form No. 5450-17 Export Determination
SBA Form 723, Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber

Sale Date: April 22, 2003 <u>SBA SET-ASIDE SALE</u>						
1 – Roseburg Sale No. 03-05			Sale Name: Relativity Thinning			
DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON: O&C: ORAL AUCTION			Bid Deposit Required: \$13,500.00			
All timber designated for cutting on: SW¼, Sec. 11, W½SW¼, Sec. 15, W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NE¼ SE¼, Sec. 23, T. 25 S., R. 2 W., W.M.						
	Est.	Est.		Est.		
Approx.	Vol.	Vol.		Vol.		Est. Volume
Number	MBF	MBF		C	Appraised	Times
Merch.	32'	16'		Cu.	Price	Appraised
<u>Trees</u>	<u>Log</u>	<u>Log</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Ft.</u>	<u>Per CCF</u>	<u>Price</u>
8,023	806	922	Douglas-fir	1761	\$71.60	\$126,087.60
2,244	182	229	Western Hemlock	440	15.20	6,688.00
38	4	6	Grand Fir	11	13.25	145.75
57	1	1	Incense Cedar	2	159.30	318.60
159	4	5	Western Redcedar	10	107.55	1,075.50
1	1	1	Sugar Pine	1	161.10	161.10
10,522	998	1164		2225		\$134,476.55

THIS IS A TIMBER SALE SET-ASIDE FOR PREFERENTIAL BIDDING BY SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS HAVING 500 OR FEWER EMPLOYEES AS DEFINED BY THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

CRUISE INFORMATION

Thinning

The Thinning volume estimates were based on a diameter-total height volume table. The average tree is 11 inches D.B.H.O.B.

3P (Fall, Buck & Scale & Volume Table Cruise Combined)

The Douglas-fir and Western Hemlock have been cruised using the 3P system to select sample trees. A portion of the sample trees have been felled, bucked and scaled and the remainder have been cruised and their volume computed on form class tables for estimating volume in 16-foot lengths. The sample tree volumes were expanded to a total sale volume.

The volume of all other species has been determined by individual tree measurements using a 100% cruise.

With respect to merchantable trees of all species: the average tree is 11 inches D.B.H.O.B., the average log contains 36 bd. ft., the total gross volume is approximately 1258 M bd. ft., or 2389 C cu. ft. and 93% recovery is expected. Approximately 0% of the above volume is salvage material.

CUTTING AREA: An area of approximately 114 acres in 4 units is to be partially cut and a right-of-way of 1 acre must be clearcut.

TIMBER ACREAGE: Area 1: 21 Acres
 Area 2: 52 Acres
 Area 3: 19 Acres
 Area 4: 22 Acres
 R/W: 1 Acre

ACCESS: Access to the sale area is provided by Government, County, and privately controlled roads.

DIRECTIONS TO SALE AREA: From Roseburg drive east on State Highway 138 (North Umpqua Highway) approximately 22 miles to County Road 78 (Rock Creek Access Road). Turn left on County Road 78 and follow the Exhibit "D" to the sale area.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: Maintenance and rockwear fees of \$4,640.09 will be required to be paid to the BLM. A road use obligation of \$143.25 and a rockwear obligation of \$117.60 required to be paid to Roseburg Resources.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION Estimates include construction of the following types of roads: 18+70 stations of 12 foot subgrade natural surface temporary road; 2.65 miles of road renovation of 14 to 20 foot subgrade plus ditch.

DURATION OF CONTRACT : will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber. The contract will contain SPECIAL PROVISIONS regarding: Logging, environmental protection, road construction, road renovation, road use, road maintenance, fire protection, slash disposal, log exporting and nonsegregated facilities. Log scaling may be required under the terms of this contract.

NOTES:

1. A new Special Provision has been added to the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of certain plant or animal species, and/or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act, or; comply with a court order,. This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser, which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.
2. Seasonal restrictions on operations from March 1 through September 30 may be enforced to protect nesting Northern Spotted Owls. Purchaser notification by February 1 of intent to operate on the sale area will initiate nesting surveys, which will negate this restriction if no nesting is occurring within 0.25 miles of harvest unit No. 2.

3. The commercial thinning harvest area contains the following areas: one hundred-eight (108) acres of cable yarding, six (6) acres of ground based yarding and approximately one (1) acre of right-of-way cutting. Yarding areas are shown on Exhibit "A". Timber haul routes are shown on Exhibit "D".
4. In the cable yarding area, varying numbers of retention trees will necessitate lateral yarding and frequent skyline respooling. The Authorized Officer will need to be advised when any retention trees are damaged in falling or yarding, or need to be cut for yarding corridors or felled for safety purposes.
5. Directional falling away from or parallel to property lines, unit boundaries, roads, wet areas, retention tree clumps, and snags is required. Directional falling away from or parallel to reserve areas is required for all trees cut within one hundred (100) feet of same.
6. One-end suspension is required in the cable yarding area. Cable yarding will not be permitted in or through reserve or riparian areas. Falling and yarding are restricted from April 15 to July 15 to prevent damage from bark slippage in the retention trees.
7. Minor and incidental ground-based yarding may be permitted in limited portions of the cable yarding area, with seasonal restrictions. Ground-based yarding, the locations involved and the equipment used, must be approved by the Authorized Officer.
8. In the cable yarding areas, a skyline logging system, which has lateral and multispan capability is required.
9. Approximately 18.7 stations of unsurfaced temporary road will be constructed. There are seasonal restrictions on all new road construction and hauling on unsurfaced roads between October 15 and May 15. Unsurfaced temporary roads used for more than a single operating season or which must overwinter prior to decommissioning will be winterized.
10. All equipment used in road construction or yarding operations will be cleaned and inspected for noxious weed seeds prior to move in to BLM lands.
11. A license Agreement with Roseburg Resources is required for road construction, renovation and log haul upon their lands.
12. Slash disposal and slash preparation requirements consist of piling and covering slash and debris on or within a fifty-foot (50) radius of landings and at other locations designated by the Authorized Officer.
13. Falling or girdling of approximately four hundred twenty (420) trees in riparian areas after completion of logging operations will be required. The felled or girdled trees will not be yarded or otherwise removed from the site. The Purchaser will have the option of making a contribution to the BLM in lieu of performing the falling and girdling operations.